



3. SMALL GROUP Lesson

THE PERFECT FIT

Props Needed: 1 DVD and DVD case

Small Group Notes

SMALL GROUP LESSON:

- The DVD goes inside of the DVD case.
- The DVD case was made for the DVD.

POINT TO MAKE:

- This DVD case was made to hold this DVD.
- Jesus told His disciples that He would send the Holy Spirit when He left. The Holy Spirit left Heaven and came to earth to dwell inside of us. He is not floating around - but lives in us.
- Just like this DVD goes INSIDE of the DVD case - the Holy Spirit goes INSIDE of you.
- He is with us always on the inside of us to guide us and comfort us.

REMEMBER:

The next time that you watch your favorite DVD, and your mom asks you to put it away (before rolling your eyes), think about how easy the DVD fits into the case. The Holy Spirit wants to dwell in you and He does. He is with you always.

QUESTIONS TO ASK:

1. Jesus said that when He left, He would send someone to replace Him. Who did He send? (the Holy Spirit)
2. Who will the Holy Spirit live in? (anyone who asks Him)
3. Why does the Holy Spirit want to live in us? (He wants to help us)

SMALL GROUP SCHEDULE

1. Pre-Service Activity
2. Bible Time
3. Small Group Lesson
4. Activity Page
5. Dismiss

HOLY SPIRIT: THE HOLY SPIRIT IN ME

MEMORY VERSE:
1 Corinthians 6:19, "Do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit, who is in you...." (NIV)

BOTTOM LINE:
The Holy Spirit is in me.



1. PRE-SERVICE Activity

- During the Pre-Service Activity, group leaders will direct conversation and games to help kids make friends at church.
- As a group leader you have the choice of Ice Breaker Questions or Game to use as the children arrive.

ICE BREAKER Questions:

Question #711:

- If you could be an animal, what would you be?
- Why?

Question #321:

- Have you ever gone fishing?
- Did you catch anything?
- Did you like it?

ICE BREAKER Game: Silent & Quiet

- Divide class into two teams.
- Have them line up into two rows, back to back.
- On the count of three, have everyone turn around and face each other.
- No speaking, but the first one to laugh is out.
- All who remain get a new partner.

2. BIBLE Time

READ THE BIBLE:

1st-2nd Grade - Day by Day Bible: God's Spirit of Truth (page 335)
3rd Grade and up - NIV Bible: John 16

- Have each child read one verse out loud.
- Go around the room.
- This works best if everyone uses the same, easy-to-read translation of the Bible.

BIBLE STORY:

Jesus Gets Ready To Leave

BIBLE CONNECTION:

Jesus told His disciples that He was going to Heaven. He explained it would be better for them if He left. The disciples were confused; they couldn't understand how things could be better. He told them when He leaves, God will send someone else in His place, the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit would be able to live inside of them while Jesus could not. He also explained how the Holy Spirit would help them.

BIBLE QUESTIONS:

1. What did Jesus talk to the disciples about? (when He left and who would replace Him)
2. How do you think the disciples felt when Jesus told them He was leaving? (confused, hurt, angry, afraid)
3. Why did Jesus say it was better for the disciples if He went back to Heaven? (The Holy Spirit would live inside of them)

POINT TO MAKE: *Jesus knew what His plan was for His life. He knew He was going to Heaven, but He would not leave us alone. He was sending the Holy Spirit to dwell in us and with us.*